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1. Reverend Gavriil, assistant to Archbishop Victor [Senior Russian Orthodox archbishop in China], has been urged by Patriarch Alekseï in Moscow to apply to Alekseï for permission to be transferred to the USSR.

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2. It is rumored in Tientsin Soviet circles that Boris Kepping will be consecrated as a priest by his brother-in-law, Archbishop Victor, and will be attached to the Peiping Orthodox Mission.

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3. A rumor is circulating in Tientsin Soviet circles to the effect that Archbishop Victor has written a book about his arrest in Shanghai. He was ordered to write the book by Tichwinsky [Acting Consul General, Peiping] and Kurdyukov [Consul General, Tientsin]. The book is being printed in the offices of the Tientsin Soviet Russian-language daily Novosti Dnya. Its preparation is allegedly the reason for the postponement of Victor's projected visit to Moscow. 25X1

4. In an intimate conversation, Archdeacon Egorov stated: "We always act as we are ordered to act."

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